IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 97,150-C)

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In application of:)	
	Fruehauf))	Before the Examiner: J. Burke
Serial No.	To be assigned))	Group Art Unit: 1642
Filed:	October 16, 2001))	•
For:	Methods for Cancer Prognosis and Diagnosis))	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified divisional application.

AMENDMENTS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to make the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 1, please add --This application is a divisional of U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/199,217, filed November 28, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,303,324, issued October 16, 2001, which is a divisional of U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/843,008, filed April 11, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,840,507, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. provisional application Serial No. 60/041,311, filed March 19, 1997.--

On page 1, line 24, please insert -lymph- after "node".

On page 2, line 14, please insert –Early Breast Cancer Trialistic Collaborative Group-before "1992" in the left parenthesis.

On page 2, line 14, please insert –The Ludwig Breast Cancer Study Group-- before "1989".

At page 5, line 24, please replace "Figures 1A through 1C" with -- Figures 1A, 1B and 1C--.

At page 6, line 4, please replace "Figure 3" with -- Figures 3A and 3B--.

At page 6, line 9, please add -- Figure 3A-- after "(GE-7".

At page 6, line 9, please add -- Figure 3B-- after "(LE-8".

On page 7, line 16, please delete "(CITE)".

On page 8, line 24, please replace "section" with -sections-.

On page 9, line 16, please insert -min-- after "20".

On page 14, line 1, please replace "Figures" with -(Figures-.

REMARKS

If the Examiner in charge of this application believes it to be helpful, he or she is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at (312) 913-0001.

Respectfully submitted,

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